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*** SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR (by KB8NW): Once again, the following annual special events will be taking place over the next several days.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station N3U/Flt93 (N3U/United Flight 93) to be activated once again between September 9-14th, to remind "Amateur Radio Operators World-Wide" of the tragic events that happened near Shanksville (Pa), New York City and Washington DC, on September 11th, 2001. This will be their 10th year for N3U and this memorial operation. Bob informs OPDX, "This year two Presidential Candidates (Trump & Biden) will both be attending and with COVID-19, it will not be as involved (or long) as previous years. We also had a lot of competition this year with the VHF contest on the same weekend and operators were scarce, but we should have enough to make a showing on most ham bands. As you know the band conditions are bad, BUT FT-8 seems to always save the day, so we will be using both FT-8 and FT-4. LoTW will also be used for logging all digital and most SSB and CW. Will also try to spot on DX Summit. PLEASE NOTE: When we 1st activated N3U in 2010, the grounds didn't look much different as on that fateful day in Sept 11, 2001. It took 10 years, but now it's transformed into a very beautiful national monument location. [NPOTA FLT 93 NM07] N3U is sponsored by Club Station W3PN and thanks to ARRL we hold the special 1x1 license each year." QSL N3U/Flt 93 via W3BTX, by the Bureau or direct (Please include SASE and enough return postage. If additional postage is needed...your QSL will be returned via the BUREAU). For more details, QRZ.com.

SPECIAL EVENT. Members of the Wireless Association Of New York City will activate special event station WA2NYC once again to commemorate the 19th anniversary of the attack on the World Trade Center in New York City, and to remember that over 2900 people lost their lives on that day. The station will be operational between 0000z, September 10th, and 0300z, September 14th, 2020. The suggested frequencies are 28450, 21350, 14300, 7238 kHz and DSTAR XREF020B & Smart Group SEPT11. The WA2NYC station will be on DSTAR XREF020B and Smart Group SEPT11 each evening from 7-11PM

Eastern Time (2300-0300z). The log will be uploaded to LoTW. If you would like a QSL card, send a SASE to the club address (see QRZ.com) or by the Bureau. This operation is in memory of Robert Norton, K2IE/SK.

SPECIAL EVENT (Highway to a DX Party!). The Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club of San Bernardino (w6jbt.org), California, is once again hosting (probably one of the most fun special event activities) the 21st annual "Route 66 On The Air" special event between 0000z on Saturday, September 12th and 2359z on Sunday, September 20th. The purpose of this event is to offer amateur radio operators a fun way to "Relive the Ride" of their own memories of Route 66, and to celebrate the highway's 94th anniversary. The U.S. Highway 66 established in 1926, was the first major improved highway to link the west coast with the nation's heartland. Through stories, songs, and TV shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America.

Look for the following 21 stations (two are rovers) operating in or around the major cities along the old "Route 66" from Santa Monica, California, to Chicago, Illinois:

Stations	City	Clubs/Individuals
W6A	Santa Monica, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6B	Los Angeles, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6C	San Bernardino, CA	Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club
W6D	Victorville, CA	Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club
W6E	Barstow, CA	Barstow Amateur Radio Club
W6F	Kingman, AZ	K2 Amateur Radio Society
W6G	Flagstaff, AZ	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6H	Albuquerque, NM	Albuquerque DX Association
W6I	Amarillo, TX	Panhandle Amateur Radio Club
W6J	Stroud, OK	Mid-Del Amateur Radio Club
W6K	Oklahoma City, OK	W6K Oklahoma City
W6L	Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Amateur Radio Club
W6M	Tribune, KS	Western Kansas Amateur Radio Club
W6N	Joplin, MO	Joplin Amateur Radio Club
W6O	Lebanon, MO	Lebanon Amateur Radio Club
W6P	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis Amateur Radio Club
W6Q	Chicago, IL	Six Meter Club of Chicago
W6R	Springfield, MO	Southwest Missouri Amateur RC
W6U	Wilmington, IL	Wilmington Area Amateur Radio Club

ROVER STATIONS

W6S	ROVER 1	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6T	ROVER 2	Northern Arizona DX Association

Special event stations are expected to be found in the vicinity of the following frequencies. (Look for digital modes in the standard band segments for such mode) All frequencies +/- QRM:

CW - 3533, 7033, 10110, 14033, 18080, 21033, 24900, 28033 and 50033 kHz
SSB - 3866, 7266, 14266, 18164, 21366, 24966, 28466 and 50166 kHz
Digi - 3573, 7074, 10136, 14074, 18100, 21074, 24915 and 28074 kHz

R66 MOBILE Operations - Any amateurs operating while actually driving along Route 66 during the special event period are encouraged to take part in "Route 66 On The Air", by using the designation "mobile 66" for SSB or "/m66" for CW after their callsigns. All other amateur radio operators are welcome to contact these mobile operators. NOTE: ONLY W6S AND W6T ARE ONLY THE OFFICIAL EVENT ROVER/MOBILE STATIONS AND WILL BE ENDORSED ON THE EVENT CERTIFICATE.

REPEATERS - Some of the participating clubs will also be operating this event from their local VHF/UHF repeaters. Check the ARRL repeater guide for possible repeater frequencies, if you're in the local area.

2020 ROUTE 66 - LOG SHEET: This simple log sheet can be used during the event for a quick log record. Simply click on the link below and print off. When printing make sure it's in "Landscape" orientation.
http://w6jbt.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/EVENT-LOG-SHEET-FOR-WEBSITE-1.pdf
PLEASE NOTE: This sheet is NOT to be used to request a certificate as you must fill out the application found under the "2020 Route 66 On The Air" tab on home page, then click the "Certificate/Decal Request..." tab.

QSL - Each participating club will issue their own QSL card commemorating this event. QSL information is available on the Web at:
http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=26
http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=27

CERTIFICATE/DECAL REQUEST - For more details about the event and the certificate that is available, please visit the "Route 66 OTA Site" at: http://w6jbt.org
http://w6jbt.org/?page_id=23

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